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INFO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, KS, UR, JA

SUBJECT: DOWNED KOREAN AIRCRAFT: GOJ REQUEST FOR
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. FOREIGN OFFICE CONSULAR DIVISION DEPUTY DIRECTOR
GENERAL HASHIMOTO CALLED IN POL COUNSELLOR APRIL 24 TO
DISCUSS KAL INCIDENT. HASHIMOTO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR
U.S. EFFORTS IN ALL CONCERNED CAPITALS TO KEEP GOJ
REPRESENTATIVES INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS. HE NOTED INTENSE
CONCERN WHICH HAD DEVELOPED HERE BECAUSE OF LARGE NUMBER
JAPANESE PASSENGERS AND SAID IT WAS IMPORTANT TO HAVE AS
UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE IN VIEW OF INQUIRIES
FROM FAMILY MEMBERS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES. POLCOUNS
THANKED HASHIMOTO FOR WORDS OF APPRECIATION, AND EXPRESSED
SYMPATHY ON BEHALF OF USG FOR DEATH AND INJURIES SUFFERED
BY JAPANESE CITIZENS.

2. HASHIMOTO SAID GOJ WOULD PARTICULARLY APPRECIATE
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN REGARD TO CAUSE OF INCIDENT,
INCLUDING ANSWERS TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:
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-- IS IT TRUE PLANE WAS TRACKED BY U.S. RADAR?
-- WHAT WAS CAUSE OF NAVIGATIONAL ERROR, I.E., ARE REPORTS
OF COMPASS MALFUNCTION ACCURATE?
-- WHERE DID PLANE ENTER SOVIET AIRSPACE; AND WHERE WAS
IT FIRST ENCOUNTERED BY FIGHTER?
-- WHAT WAS PRECISE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS FOLLOWING

APPEARANCE OF FIGHTER THROUGH FORCED LANDING?

3. POLCOUNS PASSED GIST OF HELSINKI 1217 AND MOSCOW 8743,
SOME OF WHICH WAS NEW TO GAIMUSHO, AND UNDERTOOK TO PROVIDE
OTHER MATERIAL AS IT BECAME AVAILABLE.

4. WE APPRECIATE FINE WORK ADDRESSEES HAVE DONE IN KEEPING
OUR FRIENDS INFORMED, AND WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE RECEIVING
NEW INFORMATION AS IT IS DEVELOPED. MANSFIELD

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